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1. On 22 June 1952, engineer units again arrived at the Bad Koesen (M 52/J 78) training area. All quarters along the river were reoccupied. On 30 June, at least 3,000 troops wearing black-bordered epaulets were quartered there. New low wooden buildings scattered all over the area were under construction. About 70 to 80 pontoons, 2 motor boats and large quantities of timber were on the bank of the river. River crossing was being practiced with a ferry consisting of two pontoons.
2. On 27 June, 27 pontoons, 3 motor boats and beams were seen at the first water site of the training area. [REDACTED] Beams were also 25X1 piled up at the second water site below the Ludelsburg castle. A total of about 100 troops was seen at the two sites. About 50 soldiers drilled in the camp. Trucks [REDACTED] stood in front of the messhall. Detonations of mines were heard continuously from the so-called murder valley in the direction of Flemmingen-Heiligenkreuz.

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